## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: RAJU et al. : Confirmation No.: 2915

APPLICATION NO.: 10/617,616 : Examiner: S. LOEWE

FILING DATE: July 11, 2003 : Group Art Unit: 1626

TITLE: N-HYDROXYAMIDE DERIVATIVES

POSSESSING ANTIBACTERIAL

ACTIVITY

Mail Stop AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

## **AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.312**

This amendment is responsive to a communication from the Examiner mailed January 28, 2010, after a Notice of Allowance was mailed November 28, 2009. This amendment is in response to the Examiner's request for certain claim dependencies to be corrected. Moreover, other minor informalities in the claims have been corrected after the Examiner agreed to these changes during a telephone conversation with Applicants' attorney on February 18, 2010. This amendment is being filed concurrently with the issue fee.

Please amend the subject application as follows: